

# Charting the Course for the New England Arctic Network (NEAN)

Wednesday October 3, 2018

The University of New Hampshire  
Memorial Union Building (MUB 330/332)

*Goal:* Explore activities and next steps for the New England Arctic Network, responding to links between Arctic change and North America's East Coast with a particular focus on the North Atlantic, New England, and the Gulf of Maine.

*Objectives:*

1. Discuss opportunities for collaboration in research and education
2. Develop the foundation for a shared vision for the network
3. Identify specific research initiatives to kick off convergent collaborations

*Products:*

- A plan for the New England Arctic Network
- Updated web presence to facilitate collaboration – [nearctic.net](http://nearctic.net)

8:00 Breakfast

8:30 **Introduction**

- Welcome and agenda overview – *Kathy Duderstadt*
- Brief Participant Introductions and Arctic research updates (1 min each)

9:00 **Follow-up from NSF NNA NE-Arctic Convergence Workshop** – *Kathy Duderstadt*

- NE-Arctic Workshop Report

9:15 **Developing a Foundation: New England Arctic Network (NEAN)** -- *Cameron Wake*

- Overview of proposed NSF North Atlantic Arctic Network (NAAN) RCN
- Preliminary discussions for a shared vision for NEAN

10:00 Break

10:15 **Science Diplomacy and the Role of NEAN**– *Paul Berkman*

- Integrating science diplomacy into NEAN
- The role of New England in informing national and global decision-making in the Arctic

10:45 **Stakeholder Engagement** -- *Robin Alden and Jennifer Brewer*

- Strategies for engaging stakeholders at the outset in planning research projects
- Leveraging existing relationships and building new connections

11:15 **NEAN Education and Training Activities** – *Ruth Varner*

- Presenting Arctic education initiatives at participating institutions
- Ideas for shared courses, seminars, research experiences, outreach activities
- Knowledge transfer and co-production of knowledge with local and Indigenous communities

12:00 Lunch

12:30 **NEAN Research Activities** – *Jack Dibb and Larry Hamilton*

- National priorities in funding Arctic research and upcoming opportunities.
- Where can interdisciplinary and inter-institutional collaborations most effectively enhance opportunities?
- How can this network strengthen current research efforts at participating institutions?

1:30 **Summary, Next Steps, and Conclusions**

- Recap of main ideas and next steps from the day's discussions
  - Developing a Shared Vision – *Cameron Wake*
  - Science Diplomacy – *Paul Berkman*
  - Stakeholder Engagement – *Robin Alden and Jennifer Brewer*
  - Education and Training – *Cameron Wake*
  - Research – *Jack Dibb and Larry Hamilton*
- Information Sharing, Communication, Products, Next Meetings – *Kathy Duderstadt*

2:00 Meeting Ends

2:30 **Environmental Science Seminar** – Dr. Susan Natali, Woods Hole Research Center  
“Shifting Carbon Dynamics in the Arctic and Implications for Global Climate”  
James Hall G46

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